

Newstead Town Board Meeting- April 25, 2005

A Regular Meeting was called to order by the Newstead Town Board on Monday, April 25, 2005 at the Newstead Town Hall at 8:00PM.

Present: Gerald F. Summe, Supervisor
Tom George- Councilman
Harold Finger- Councilman
Scott Chaffee- Councilman
Mark Decker- Councilman
Rebecca Baker- Assessor
Christine Falkowski- Building Admin.
Dale Kruschke- Highway Supt.
Andrew Casolini- Town Engineer
Nathan Neill- Town Attorney
Dawn Izydorczak- Town Clerk
Kathleen McLeod Lang- Deputy Clerk

Roll Call was taken with all board members present.

Boy Scout Joseph Izydorczak led the pledge to the flag.

Minutes from the previous regular board meeting held on April 11, 2005 were presented for approval. A motion was made by Councilman Finger, seconded by Councilman Chaffee to approve as presented.

Carried Unanimously

Communications – The Town Clerk presented the following:

The quarterly report was received from BFI reporting 1,729+/- residential units collected from January 1st through March 31st. 445.76+/- tons of solid waste was disposed of and 94.78 tons of Co-mingled recyclables collected.

A letter of support was received from the Niagara Military Affairs Council regarding the possible closing of the Niagara Falls Air Base. They are asking for support to fight the possible closing and have included 2 color pamphlets and a DVD that are available to the public for viewing.

A motion was made by Councilman George, seconded by Councilman Decker to receive and file correspondence as presented.

Carried Unanimously

Work Session: Supervisor Summe reported that a work session was held last week and the following issues were discussed: Special use permits in RA districts, water district #10, water tank, contract for elevator service, Plumbers Licenses, County Park property playing fields, town park use plan, landscaping at town hall, Latka subdivision and water service in District #1.

Privilege of the Floor – Supervisor Summe presented Deputy Highway Superintendent Robert Kleparek with a retirement plaque marking his 39+ years of service to Town of Newstead. Bob is retiring on April 29, 2005, with this day being proclaimed “Bob Kleparek Day” in the Town of Newstead. Each of the Board members thanked Bob for all his years of service and dedication to the residents of the Town of Newstead.

No one else spoke

Approval of Bills -Councilman Decker reported that the Abstract from Batch #387 from the April 11, 2005 meeting has been reviewed with the previously UN-audited vouchers and everything was found in order. He presented Abstract Batch #390. Vouchers on these abstracts numbered 383-437, totaling \$244,984.98 and were presented for payment approval by Councilman Decker, seconded by Councilman Finger to approve payment.

Abstract Batch 390:

General Fund (A) -\$21,477.95, Fund (B) \$32.32, Highway (DA) -\$0, Highway: Outside Village (DB) \$1,767.02, Capital Projects- CAP-WD#10 (HI)- \$230.80, Town Hall (HK)- \$2,460.00, Fire Protection (SF) \$208,295.00, Refuse (SR) \$0, Sewer Fund (SS) \$22.55, Sewer District #2 (SS02)- \$91.89, and Water Districts (SW1) \$2,786.70, (SW2) \$0, (SW3) \$7,496.30, (SW4) \$0, (SW5) \$3.85, (SW6) \$0, (SW7) \$5.60, (SW7A) \$0, (SW8) \$0, (SW9) \$0, (SW10) \$0, Trust & Agency(TA)- \$315.00 Totaling \$80,885.00.

Carried Unanimously

COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Highway –Tire Drop-off is Saturday, April 30, from 9am-12pm, White Goods Pick-Up starts Monday, May 2 on south side of town. Ray Schrock has been appointed Deputy Highway Superintendent upon the retirement of Bob Kleparek.

Councilman Finger and Councilman Chaffee thanked the Highway Superintendent and crews for their efforts at the Town Park in getting the fields ready for soccer tournament.

Assessor –Assessor Baker stated she has 2 days left of field work for this years roll and all exemptions forms, including STAR renewals, are due by April 29th.

Building Office –the following building report was presented by the Building Administrator Christine Falkowski:

Brian Owen	7588 Cedar	Pole Barn
Kevin Ewald	7652 Moore	Siding
Bright Meadows G.C.	12287 Clarence Center	Maintenance Bldg
David Graham	12604 Clair	Pipe Permit

A motion was made by Councilman Finger, seconded by Councilman Chaffee to accept and approve the Building Report as presented.

Carried Unanimously

Town Clerk- Nothing

Attorney for the Town – There are 12 easements left for WD#10 to be signed as soon as possible. There are a few problems left to discuss.

COUNCILPERSONS

Chaffee – Nothing at this time

George –Nothing at this time

Finger-Nothing at this time

Decker-Councilman thanked Building Administrator Christine Falkowski and Code Enforcement Officer Marty Dugan for handling the Meahl Road sewage issue very well.

SUPERVISOR –The March 2005 Supervisor’s Report is on file with Town Clerk. He will be meeting this week on more of the County issues.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Water District #10/ Water Tank-There was a pre-construction meeting last Friday with start date of May 2. There will be 2 crews photographing and video taping this week for restoration purposes. They will start on western end of town and a list will be on file with clerk.

Water stages- 1) put in line 2) test line 3) services installed... Patience is Needed!

Pre-construction meeting tomorrow for Water Tank, then in 2-3 weeks on site to begin site work.

Town Wide Drainage-The areas were drying out with 12 days of sun but now with wet weekend are damp again. The next Drainage Committee Meeting is scheduled for Tues, May 3rd to continue project development.

Town Hall Project: Handicapped Accessible Entrance-Construction proceeding thru next month. Curtain wall design issues to be discussed this week.

Route 5 Zoning-There is a scheduled meeting next Thursday. There are more signage recommendations from the planning board to be discussed.

Plumber's License-The rough draft is to be reviewed by the board members and comments will be discussed in next meeting.

Shared Public Works Facility Committee-They are developing a draft request for proposals on the study.

NEW BUSINESS:

Town Hall (57 John St) - Contract Sale Acceptance:

A motion was made by Councilman Chaffee, seconded by Councilman George to accept the offer made by the First United Methodist Church on the old town hall building located at 57 John St in the amount of \$157,000.00, subject to inspection and contingencies set forth.

(Resolution Attached) Ayes-5 Nays-0 Carried Unanimously

Lead Agency- Bedford's Greenhouse:

A motion was made by Councilman George, seconded by Councilman Finger issuing a declaration of Lead Agency status on the Bedford's Greenhouse parking lot expansion project located at 6820 Cedar St and instructing the building department to conduct a coordinated review.

(Resolution Attached) Ayes-5 Nays-0 Carried Unanimously

Site Plan Approval/Neg Dec – Bright Meadows Golf Course:

A motion by Councilman Decker, seconded by Councilman George approving the proposed site plan for an addition to an existing maintenance building to be constructed at 12287 Clarence Center Rd by Bright Meadows Golf Course per the conditions set forth in the resolution and issuing a Negative SEQRA Declaration on the project.

(Resolution Attached) Ayes-5 Nays- 0 Carried Unanimously

Appropriations- New Roof Highway Garage:

A motion by Councilman Finger, seconded by Councilman Decker approving the amending of the adopted 2005 Budget to increase appropriations of \$8,440.00 to operation of buildings-contractual and increase estimated revenues of \$8,440.00 to account for a grant received from the Reserve for Roof Repairs fund.

(Resolution Attached) Ayes-5 Nays –0 Carried Unanimously

Construction Services:

A motion was made by Councilman Chaffee, seconded by Councilman George to hire Wendel Duchscherer for Construction Services for WD#10 1A & 1B from Wendel's revised proposal in an amount of \$ 470,000.00

(Resolution Attached) Ayes-5 Nays-0 Carried Unanimously

Town Park Rules and Regulations

A motion was made by Councilman Finger, seconded by Councilman George to adopt the Town Park Rules and Regulations and application sheet as presented.

Ayes-5 Nays-0 Carried Unanimously

Newstead Town Library Elevator service contract

A motion was made by Councilman Finger, seconded by Councilman George approving a quote for elevator service at Newstead Library as quoted by Bison Elevator at an annual cost of \$860.00

Ayes-5 Nays-0 Carried Unanimously

Traffic Study for Indian Falls Road

A motion was made by Councilman Chaffee, seconded by Councilman George to submit application for a traffic study on Indian Falls Road based on documentation provided by Rich Raykowski of 13830 Indian Falls Road which will be forwarded to Erie County Highway and State DOT.

Ayes-5 Nays-0 Carried Unanimously

Question Period-No one spoke

The Supervisor and Board once again thanked Bob Kleparek for his friendship and service to the town residents.

There being no further business to come before the board a motion was made by Councilman Finger, seconded by Councilman Chaffee to adjourn the meeting at 8:34 PM.

Carried Unanimously

Respectfully Submitted,

Dawn D. Izydorcak, Town Clerk